

**ILLINOIS
COMMERCE COMMISSION**

**ANNUAL REPORT
ON TELECOMMUNICATIONS**

2000

January 31, 2001

The Honorable George Ryan
Governor, State of Illinois
State Capitol, Springfield, Illinois

Chairman and Members, Joint Committee on Legislative Support Service
313 State Capitol, Springfield, Illinois

Dear Governor, Chairman and Members of the Joint Committee:

We are pleased to submit to you the Commission's 2000 Annual Report on Telecommunications. This Report covers the period of January 1, 2000, through December 31, 2000.

The Annual Report is submitted in compliance with the Public Utilities Act and specifically addresses the items cited in Section 13-801 of that Act.

Sincerely,

Richard L. Mathias, Chairman

Ruth K. Kretschmer, Commissioner

Terry S. Harvill, Commissioner

Edward C. Hurley, Commissioner

Mary Frances Squires, Commissioner

THE MEMBERS OF THE ILLINOIS COMMERCE COMMISSION

Richard L. Mathias, Chairman

Independent: born, 1939; Denison University, (B.A.); University of Michigan Law School (juris doctor); administrative assistant and deputy legal counsel to Gov. Richard Ogilvie; director of the Illinois Department of Insurance (1977-1979); legal or executive positions in insurance, financial services and steel making firms; private law practice in Chicago, specializing in general corporate and state and local tax matters; assumed chairmanship May 26, 1998; current term ends January 2002; married, three adult children.

Ruth K. Kretschmer

Republican; appointed to the Commission in 1983; current term ends January 2003. Kretschmer serves as Chairman of the Commission's Gas Policy Committee and is a member of the Commission's Electric and Transportation Committees. She is the immediate past Chairman of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC) Committee on Gas and serves as a member of the Advisory Council of the Center for Public Utilities, New Mexico State University. She is a member of the Mid-America Regulatory Conference and served as President from June 1995 to June 1996.

She has authored numerous articles regarding energy and telecommunications issues which have been published in academic and industry journals. Working with the U.S. Energy Association Commissioner, Kretschmer was instrumental in the establishment of the Regulatory Partnership between the Illinois Commerce Commission and the Republic of Kazakhstan.

Kretschmer served on the Board of Directors for the Center for Regulatory Studies at Illinois State University from 1985 through 1996. In January 1989, she was appointed to the Advisory Council of the Gas Research Institute and chaired the Council in 1995 and 1996. She also served on the Department of Transportation's Technical Pipeline Safety Standards Committee.

Prior to joining the Commission, Kretschmer was a member of the DuPage County Board and, concurrently a Commissioner for the DuPage County Forest Preserve for nine years. She served as a Commissioner of the Northeastern Illinois Planning Commission for 20 years and was the Commission's President during 1982 and 1983.

Kretschmer holds a degree from DePaul University in business administration and economics; she also attended Harvard University's John F. Kennedy School of Government and completed its Program for Senior Executives in State and Local Government. She is a member of the Economic Club of Chicago and The Chicago Network. She was selected as an honored member of Who's Who in Government Services for 1990.

Terry S. Harvill

Republican; born, 1969; Illinois State University (B.S. Economics); Illinois State University (M.S. Economics); currently completing coursework towards a Ph.D. in Economics at the University of Illinois at Chicago.

Harvill was assistant to the Governor for business and economic development issues (1995-1998); in this capacity, he was responsible for the development of the Governor's overall economic development strategy and issue development in the following areas: business development, regulatory operations, governmental operations, financial affairs and Chicago-related policy matters. In addition, he provided legislative analysis and guidance to the Governor on a wide variety of issues associated with business and economic development and regulatory operations. He was responsible for electric, natural gas and telecommunications restructuring/ deregulation legislative efforts at both the state and federal level.

Harvill served as senior policy advisor to the Chairman of the Illinois Commerce Commission (1994-1995). In that role, he was the primary strategist to the Chairman for developing and implementing positions based upon the analysis of financial, economic, and public policy issues. He served as senior economist in the rate design section of the Illinois Commerce Commission (1992-1994). Harvill assumed commissionership May 14, 1998; current term ends January 2003; single.

Edward C. Hurley

Democrat; born 1954; Marquette University, Milwaukee, Wisconsin (B.S. Business Administration, 1976); The John Marshall Law School, Chicago, Illinois (Juris Doctor, 1980); Associate, Jares, Komosa, Burke and Shanahan, Chicago, Illinois (1980-1982); Assistant Illinois Attorney General (1982-1984); Hearing Examiner, Illinois Commerce Commission (1984-1991); Secretary, General Counsel, General Manager, Custom Coffee Service Corp., Chicago, Illinois (1991-1998); assumed Commissionership February 16, 1999; current term ends January 2004; single.

Mary Frances Squires

Republican; born, 1934, Springfield College in Illinois; Administrative Assistant, House Majority Leader (1969-1983); Director, Legislative and Intergovernmental Affairs, Illinois Commerce Commission (1983-1987); Manager, Personnel and Labor Relations, Illinois Department of Public Health (1987-1990); Deputy Director, Personnel, Illinois Secretary of State (1991); Member, Sangamon County Board (1984-2000), Chairman, (1995-2000); assumed Commissionership, March 2000; Chairman, Illinois Commerce Commission Water Policy Committee; current term expires January 17, 2005.

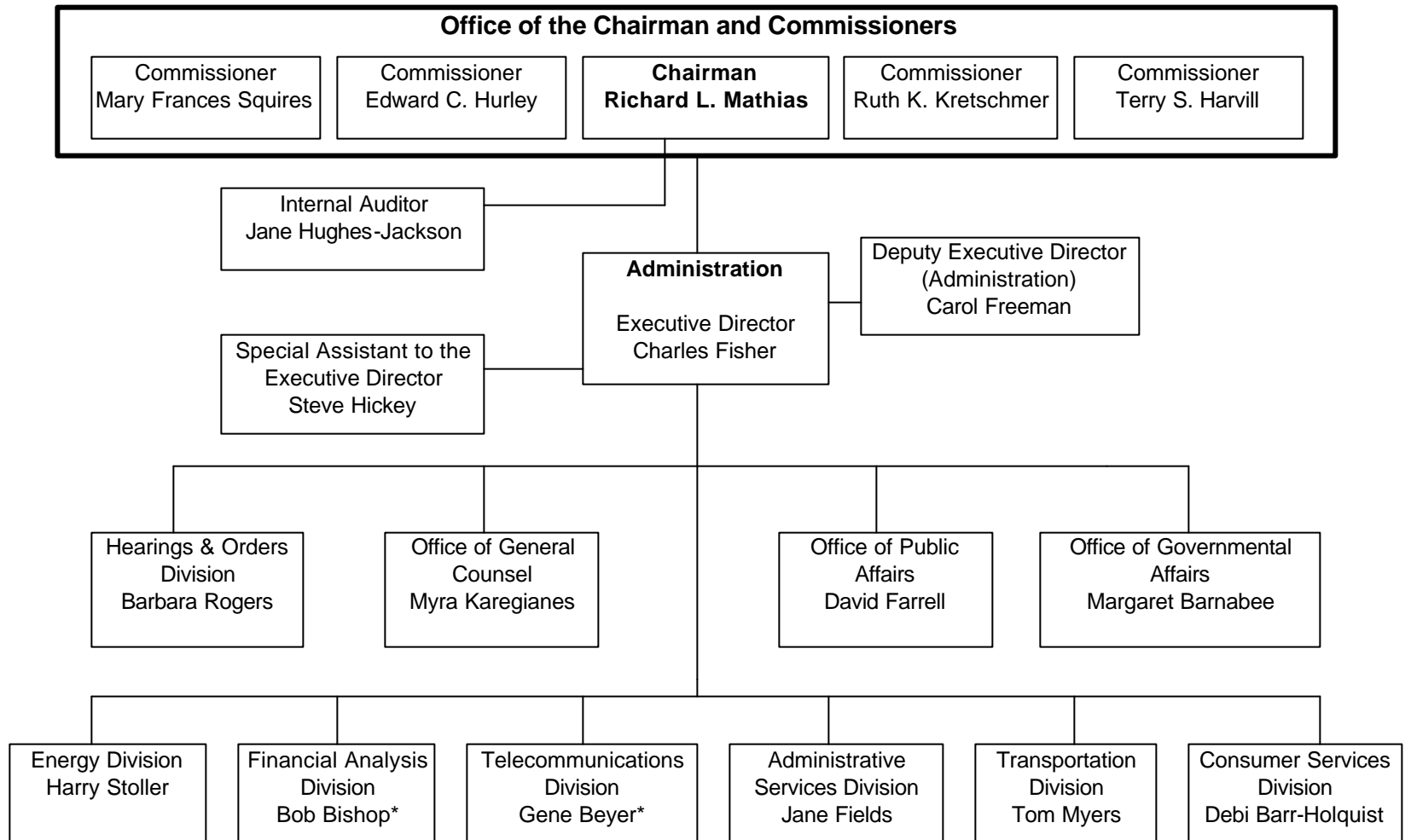
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STATEMENT OF MISSION

The Illinois Commerce Commission, in a period of emerging reliance on the marketplace to ensure fairly-priced, reliable and adequate utility services, will protect consumer interests and manage the transition of network industries from regulation to efficient competition through the use of innovative regulatory practices. Through its actions, the ICC shall generally promote effective competition in utility and transportation industries, enhanced consumer choice, efficient and effective dispute resolution, and the sharing of impartial and comprehensive information within its jurisdiction as provided by law.

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